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Poultry Programs

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FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN, INVITATION NO. 5, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-294

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell frozen cooked diced chicken meat produced from fowl as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, June 13. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, June 17. Deliveries are to be made from August 1 to August 15.

Offers will be invited from approved suppliers for frozen cooked diced chicken meat, produced from ready-to-cook fowl (a class of mature female chickens), packed in four 10-pound (4.54 kg) packages to a net weight of 40 pounds (18.14 kg) in each shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,000 shipping containers totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Note that some item numbers and the associated quantities for frozen cooked diced chicken have been set-aside for small business concerns and are indicated by a single asterisk. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-294, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated April 2005, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260; 1400 Independence Ave., SW; Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-294, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

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COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 21 CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 40 40 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATIO	ON ST	TRAI REST		QUANTITY (LBS)	
DELIVERY PERIOD 08/01/05 - 08/15/05						
001 002	PORT NEWARK PORT NEWARK	NJ NJ			40,000 20,000	*
003	VINELAND VINELAND	NJ NJ			20,000 40,000	
004	AMERICUS MACON	GA GA	TRUCK TRUCK		35,000 5,000	
005	ATLANTA COLLEGE PARK	GA GA	TRUCK TRUCK		30,000 10,000	
006	COLUMBUS JONESBORO	GA GA	TRUCK TRUCK		20,000 20,000	
007	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK		40,000	
800	LAWRENCEVILLE	GA	TRUCK		40,000	*
009 010	FORT MILL LEXINGTON	SC SC	TRUCK	ONLY	40,000 40,000	
011	NEWPORT	MN	mp II air	0377.77	40,000	*
012	ST PAUL	MN	TRUCK	ONLY	40,000	
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				480,000		

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